

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF NORTHAMPTON
OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH, SLOUGH, SL1 1XU

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ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors and friends who are celebrating with us.

Mass Times & Intentions this Week

SUN 15/08/2021 MASS: 9am, Valentino Iacobucci (RIP) , Serafico A Quadros- Thkgvg, Sr Chibuakum DMMM Thkgvg (22 nd & 16 th Anniv. of 1 st & Final Profession) 11.00 am and 6.30pm: Maria Fernandes RIP, Canon Rev Fr, Assumption D'silva RIP , Joaquim Rodriques RIP, Jose & MariaRodriques RIP	
MON. MASS - 9.30 am Rose McErlean, Philomena Eyo RIP, Derek Monserrate- Thkgvg	TUES. No Mass (<i>Office Hours – Church is open</i>).
WED. MASS - 9.30 am Bruno George Silveira-RIP	THURS. No Mass (<i>Office Hours – Church is open</i>)
FRI. Adoration at 12.00 & MASS at 12.30pm. Judith Calisse, Frank & Joyce (Anniv.), Elias Omale (Healing & wellbeing).	SAT. No Mass
SUN 22/08/2021 MASS: 9am, Rosaleen & Kevin Mcniece RIP 11.00 am and 6.30pm: Jeronimo R Gomes RIP, Joalan Gomez Bthdy & thkgvg .	

MINISTRIES

Readers for today

9 am Mass : R Dias
11amMass: : M Cheturai, L Adoh
6.30 pm: Olivia G, Sr. Susan M

Next Sunday

9am Mass: R Gale
11amMass: G Koenig, A Ismail
6.30pmMass: Simon M, Grace O

Eucharistic Ministers today

9am Mass:, A Sheehy, M Almeida
11am Mass: J Idigo, J Mbulo
6.30pm Mass:

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9am Mass: A Sheehy, J Mcniece
11am Mass: J Idigo, J Mbulo
6.30pm Mass:

Collection: Last Week

Loose cash £ 725.50
Envelopes. £.204.00

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PARISH ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY MASS TIMES: 9.00am, 11.00am and 6.30pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 9.30am. FRIDAY 12.30pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION: Friday 12.00 – 12.30pm

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN: First Saturday of the Month 2.30pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021: Registration is on, preparation from October onwards

CONFIRMATION 2021: Registration is on – contact the Priest after Sunday Mass.

RCIA - SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION: Contact the Parish Priest on office days.

WEDDING: By appointment with the Parish Priest (Five months' notice is required).

FUNERAL: By arrangement with the Parish Priest.

RECONCILIATION/COUNSELING: First & last Sat. of the month 11.00am -12.30pm

VISITATION TO THE SICK: by arrangement with the Priest during Office Hours.

MASS REQUEST/BOOKING: Envelopes are available in the Church (*write your intention, and please hand to the Priest or place in presbytery letterbox*).

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY: Welcoming New Parishioners/Visitors: During Sunday Mass.

SIGNING OF SCHOOL FORMS/DOCUMENTS: Contact the Priest on Office Days.

CHURCH CLEANING AND UPKEEP: Monday after Mass, & Saturday, pls help.

PIETY/BOOKSHOP: Sunday after Mass (Back of the Church).

CHURCH MEETINGS: As announced in the Newsletter, contact the Parish Priest

BLESSINGS:

FOR THE WORKING WEEK – MONDAY (after 9.30 Mass).

FOR THE WEEKEND – FRIDAY (at the end of Mass)

FOR BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS: First & Last Sunday of the Month.

HOLY WATER, RELIGIOUS ITEMS, VEHICLES, ETC.: Contact the Priest after Mass.

CHILD DEDICATION & BLESSING AFTER BAPTISM: First Sunday of the Month.

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR SPECIAL EVENTS: Contact the Parish Priest for booking.

FAMILY OFFERTORY PROCESSION: To resume in September.

PRIEST'S DAY OFF: MONDAY.

PRIEST'S OFFICE DAYS/HOURS - TUES. AND THUR. 11am – 12.30 & 5.30- 6.30pm

The Priest is available to meet parishioners during office hours on Church/faith related matters.

Please wear a face mask in Church and office, except if you are exempt

SUNDAY READINGS

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

BIDDING PRAYERS:

Reader: My Soul magnifies the Lord,
Response (All): and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.

Please Pray for: the Sick and Housebound Parishioners. Those who died recently and all departed parishioners - RIP.

First Reading: Apocalypse 11:19,12:1-6,10

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened and the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it. Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red dragon which had seven heads and ten horns, and each of the seven heads crowned with a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars from the sky and dropped them to the earth, and the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother. The woman brought a male child into the world, the son who was to rule all the nations with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken straight up to God and to his throne, while the woman escaped into the desert, where God had made a place of safety ready. Then I heard a voice shout from heaven, 'Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ.'

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 44(45):10-12,16

On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet.

Gospel: Luke 1:39-56

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

Sunday Gospel and Life: The Almighty has done great things for me

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is one of the marvels of God in our world. The word Assumption comes from the Latin word "assumere" which means - take to oneself or to take up. The Western and Eastern Church as far back as the 5th century shared the belief that Mary was taken up to heaven body and soul at the completion of her earthly life. The notion of the assumption is based on the scripture passages about Enoch and Elijah (Genesis 5:24, 2 Kings 2:11).

Pope Pius XII on 1st November 1950 proclaimed the Assumption of the Blessed Mary as a dogma of faith and the feast to be celebrated on 15th August. The Magnificat is the song of Mary glorifying God as the source of the gifts, favour, grace, blessing, and honour Mary received and enjoyed. We too can enjoy similar favour and blessing by imitating Mary in her humility, love for God, joy in the service of Christ and the gospel. May she continue to pray for us and let's remember to pray the Rosary.

Wishing all Parishioners and Friends Happy Feast Day! – Fr Francis

